Omnibus bill to report test scores 2021

To whom it may concern:

I am a former k-12 public school educator now homeschooling my 4 girls. I strongly disagree with the proposal to require homeschoolers to submit test scores and a "test plan" to local school districts or the state. There is no data that suggests this would improve homeschool test scores (which already surprise state averages!). Source??

I have taught for several years at John B. Hood Jr High school in Tx, which was on probationary status for poor test scores under the "no child left behind act". I saw first hand how little testing improves performance!

In addition The schools do not need the additional paperwork nor do homeschoolers.

Parents also have a fundamental right to educate their children. Reporting test scores is an unnecessary imposition into the education and privacy of families.

What is the purpose of reporting these scores? To impose more regulations down the road? There is already annual testing required and a threshold at which homeschoolers are then required to seek help. Furthermore homeschoolers already keep records of what is taught. This is plenty to address any struggling students and does not warrant a loss of privacy and government meddling.

I strongly oppose this legislation!

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